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TESTIMONY OF JAMES J. NAKATANI
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BEFORE THE COMMITTEES ON AGRICULTURE AND WATER, LAND & HAWAIIAN
AFFAIRS
FRIDAY, April 12, 2019
11:00 a.m.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 211 SD1
REQUESTING THE FINALIZATION OF MEMORANDUMS OF
UNDERSTANDING AND OTHER ACTIONS FOR PURPOSES OF DIVERSIFYING
SOURCES OF IRRIGATION IN CENTRAL OAHU.

Chairpersons Creagan and Yamane and Members of the Committees:

My name is James Nakatani, Executive Director of the Agribusiness Development Corporation ("ADC"). The ADC provides comments on Senate Concurrent Resolution 211 SD1, which requests the finalization of memorandums of understanding (MOU) and other actions for purposes of diversifying sources of irrigation in central Oahu.

Since 2016, the ADC has been in negotiation with the City and the OHA. The OHA is willing to proceed with a MOU regarding an easement but it is conditional on the City and the ADC agreeing to a MOU regarding the diverting of the R-1 water. As recently as February 2019, the City's proposal includes substantial new terms. These terms materially impact the ADC's obligations and, accordingly, the ADC is discussing the terms and their impact with its engineers. The ADC hopes to resolve the outstanding issues soon in order to proceed with the planning irrigation system project.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify, and for your consideration of this resolution.

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Comments: